

Vic Krygowski: And there were, I think, six or eight submarines in our squadron. It was submarine squadron 50 – five-zero. And it was under the leadership of Captain Ives and they had quite a bit to do with the landings in North Africa where the submarines were kind of the forward guard that checked out the area to, you know, find the hazards and so on and communicate back with the surface fleet that was gonna come in and do their work.

Anyway, our purpose in going to Britain – we wound up in Scotland, as I said – our purpose in going there was to relieve the British submarines and to let them go down to the Mediterranean to fight the war there while we were supposed to handle the British waters and the North Atlantic waters. And for awhile we had an experiment where we were trying to match submarine versus submarine which didn't turn out to be too successful because it's awfully difficult to pinpoint a submarine in the water since it has that third dimension. You know, you've got the depth. When you are on the surface you've got the planer dimension. But when you're under water you have that third dimension of depth which complicates matters quite a bit.